

Concordia University

Council of the Faculty of Arts and Science

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, May 24, 1988

- Present: C. Bertrand, Chair; Joyce Harding; R. Martin; J. Appleby; P. Albert; D. Dicks; F. Shlosser; G. Valaskakis; R. Pallen; D. Brown; D. Murphy; W. Knitter; G. Auchinachie; G. Taggart; M. Barlow; K. Mukherji; G. Decarie; L. Crysler; J. Macaluso; J. McGraw; T. Arbuckle-Maag; M. Oppenheim; J. Drysdale; J. Ryan; H. Shulman; D. Shapiro; S. Hoecker-Drysdale; D. White; S. Maguire; R. Orr.
- Regrets: J. Bardis; M. Clarke; J. King; A. Macpherson; L-J. Regimbald.
- Absent: M. Anvari; H. McQueen; J. Gavin; R. Cronin, s.j.; F. Mueller; R. Kilgour; J. Locke; W. Byers; S. Dubas; D. Salee; G. Newsham; W. Hooper; C. Davis; G. Szamosi; R. Seppanen; K. Adler; C. Buttner; D. Jean; K. Johnston; S. Kugan; A. Madsen; S. O'Hara; L. Piovesan; M. Valihora; P. Taslimi.

Documents considered and distributed at this meeting:

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| ASFC 88-6M-A | Approval of Graduates, Spring 1988 |
| ASFC 88-6M-B | Convocation Prizes, Spring 1988 |
| ASFC 88-6M-C
(C52 to C71) | <u>Report 60U</u> - Undergraduate Curriculum Course Change
Proposals, 1989-90, Part III |
| ASFC 88-6M-C
(C16 to C29) | <u>Report 61G</u> - Graduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals,
1989-90, Part III |

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 0932 hrs.

2. Approval of Agenda

88-6-1 It was moved and seconded (Murphy/Martin) to approve the Agenda.

Vote: CARRIED

3. Approval of Graduation List

Mr. R. Martin presented the Graduation Lists.

88-6-2 It was moved and seconded (Murphy/Maguire) that Council recommend to Senate the awarding of the Bachelor of Arts degree to the candidates with the appropriate distinctions, honours and memberships in the Colleges as indicated (pp. 1-38).

This listing was amended, with reference to pages 68-73: students not completing requirements for the Bachelor of Arts. Additional candidates to be awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree upon the resolution of any problems and/or meeting the conditions involved.

Vote: CARRIED

88-6-3 It was moved and seconded (Oppenheim/Knitter) that Council recommend to Senate that the candidates listed on pages 39 and 40 be awarded the Bachelor of Education Degree with the appropriate distinctions as indicated. Additional candidates to be awarded the Bachelor of Education degree upon the resolution of any problems and/or meeting the conditions involved.

Vote: CARRIED

88-6-4 It was moved and seconded (Pallen/Oppenheim) that Council recommend to Senate that the candidates listed on pages 41-53 be awarded the Bachelor of Science degree with the appropriate distinctions, honours and memberships in the Colleges as indicated. Additional candidates may be added to the list pending resolution of any problems and/or meeting the conditions involved.

Vote: CARRIED

Departmental Prizes

88-6-5

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Brown) that Council approve the awarding of Departmental prizes as follows:

THE ROBERT C. RAE BOOK PRIZE IN APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCE

Margaret Ann Lebrun

THE CIP, INC. PRIZE FOR BIOLOGY

Luc Varin

THE CELANESE CANADA LTD. PRIZE FOR CHEMISTRY

Edward George Livingstone

THE CLASSICS BOOK PRIZE

Dora Cohen

THE COMMUNICATION STUDIES MEDAL

Louise N. Brunet

THE SUN LIFE PRIZE IN ECONOMICS

Jeffrey Lloyd Nadler

THE EDUCATION BOOK PRIZE

Sylvia Ann Menard

THE CELANESE CANADA LTD. PRIZE FOR ENGLISH

Anthony Peter Luscombe

THE EXERCISE SCIENCE PLAQUE

Glenn Keith Andrew Hebert

THE FRENCH BOOK PRIZE

Martine Moresco

THE BOGDAN ZABORSKI MEDAL IN GEOGRAPHY

George Douglas Welcher

THE ANDRE DELAND MEDAL FOR GEOLOGY

Richard Roy

THE HEALTH EDUCATION MEDAL

Mary Louise Watters

THE MARTIN LEWIS MEMORIAL BOOK PRIZE IN HISTORY

Ian Scott Jamieson

THE INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES MEDAL

Susan Gail Calder-Arnold

THE GORDON FISHER PRIZE FOR JOURNALISM (UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES)

Leigh Margaret Ogston

THE LEISURE STUDIES MEDAL
Heather Wallace

THE LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGE PRIZE
Sonia Guimond

THE LIBRARY STUDIES PLAQUE
Sandra Kwavnick

THE LONERGAN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE PRIZE
Gillian Helen Kranias

THE ERIC O'CONNOR MATHEMATICS MEDAL
Francine Janet Pell

THE MODERN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS PLAQUE
Alanna Marie Steigberger

THE W. R. FRASER MEDAL FOR PHILOSOPHY
Ildiko Rinehart

THE WALTER RAUDORF MEDAL FOR PHYSICS
Daniel Alberto Inzirillo

THE RENEE VAUTELET PRIZE FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE
Eileen La Barre Morin

THE J. W. BRIDGES MEDAL FOR PSYCHOLOGY
Lorrie Karen Sippola

THE BOYD SINYARD PRIZE FOR RELIGION
Nicole Moranval

THE SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS PRIZE
Helene Cossette

THE SCIENCE COLLEGE PRIZE
Edward George Livingstone

THE EVERETT C. HUGHES MEDAL FOR SOCIOLOGY AND ANTHROPOLOGY
Katherine Taylor Duncan

THE THEOLOGICAL STUDIES MEDAL
Not Awarded

THE THERESE F. CASGRAIN MEDAL FOR WOMEN'S STUDIES
Katherine Anne Silver

Vote: CARRIED

Degree Prizes

88-6-6 It was moved and seconded (Shlosser/Auchinachie) that the The Birks Medal be awarded to Anthony Peter Luscombe (Honours English).

Vote: CARRIED

88-6-7 It was moved and seconded (Knitter/Maguire) that The Anne Stokes Medal be awarded to Christine-Chantal-Marie Blanche (Specialization T.E.S.L.).

Vote: CARRIED

88-6-8 It was moved and seconded (Oppenheim/Pallen) that The Mappin Medal be awarded to Michele Riva (Honours Applied Mathematics).

Vote: CARRIED

Graduate Programme Candidates

88-6-9 It was moved and seconded (Maag/Ryan) that Council recommend to the Board of Graduate Studies and to Senate that the candidates listed on pages 54-63 be awarded the Diploma in Arts and Science, the Master of Arts degree, the Master of Science degree, or the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, according to the listing.

Candidates listed on page 76 are to be awarded their various degrees upon the resolution of any problems and/or meeting the conditions required.

Vote: CARRIED

Graduate Prizes

88-6-10 It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Crysler) that:

THE GORDON FISHER PRIZE FOR JOURNALISM (GRADUATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME) be awarded to Andre Gaspard Fauteux

THE EDWARD EASTMAN MCCULLOUGH M.A. HISTORY AWARD be awarded to Mary Anne Farkas

THE HERBERT F. QUINN MEDAL FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE be awarded to Donald Aubrey

THE NISHITH MUKERJI MEDAL FOR M.SC. PHYSICS (THESIS OPTION) Not awarded

Vote: CARRIED

88-6-11

It was moved and seconded (McGraw/Shulman) that Council recommend to the Board of Graduate Studies and to Senate that the candidates listed on pages 64-67 be awarded the Certificates in Arts and Science.

Vote: CARRIED

A small committee was established to deal with outstanding problems: R. Martin, D. Murphy, S. Maguire.

C. Bertrand thanked Mr. Martin for presenting the lists.

4. New Business

Report 60U - Undergraduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, Part III

It was pointed out (Dicks) that Part II should be dealt with first; that some of the problems discovered at the last meeting had been corrected.

Exercise Science - The general option has been changed to a Specialization rather than Honours. It can now go forward. In response to a comment (Pallen) that the Honours was being used as a restrictive measure, the Vice-Dean explained that that was not the primary objective. The Department was attempting to attract the very best students who will then opt for the internship with therapeutic options. It is a quality control measure.

Geography - Geology 212 in the B.SC. Specialization in Geography - Environmental programme will remain unchanged for the moment.

Leisure Studies - The Chair of Leisure Studies, in discussions with the Arts and Science counterpart in Fine Arts, confirmed that there is no overlap, and the course description for Leisure 381 will be amended to remove the appearance of an overlap. The goals of these programmes and their level of operations are very different, one is at the undergraduate and one at the graduate level.

English 208 - deleted from proposal.

English 212 - the phrase "book reports" has been amended to "compositions and book reports".

English 284 - originally missing from the Joint Specialization in English and History - will be inserted.

Political Science 329 - the number remains the same, but the title and description change.

Political Science 450 - the word "survey" in the course description will be changed to "overview" or "introduction".

88-6-12

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Brown) that these amendments to Report 60U, Part II, Undergraduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, be accepted.

Vote: CARRIED

Report 60U - Undergraduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, Part III

It was explained (Dicks) that this document contained basically two kinds of changes. A new programme, and the reorganization of a number of current majors into one Major with options. The proposed Major in ~~French Studies (Francophone Literature)~~ will be withdrawn.

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Etudes francaises (C-52) - A Major in French Studies, with four options, is a reorganization of three existing Majors - Language, Literature and Translation; and the creation of a new option, Teaching French. The first three options are constructed entirely of existing courses and they will have a common core of courses.

Theological Studies (C-58) - This is a major reorganization of the programme; a list of deletions on page C-64; some changes in titles and descriptions; a number of new courses on page C-61 and C-62.

In response to a question (Arbuckle-Maag) as to what differentiates the Honours and Specializations in Theology, the Vice-Dean explained that the Specialization did not have a grade requirement nor was it structured whereas the Honours programme has a definite structure.

Concern was expressed (Shlosser) about the language requirement. At a time when Hebrew and Greek are rarely being taught, it was questioned whether this language requirement was a motherhood statement that can not really be enforced. It was felt that it should be taken out, and students should be encouraged by the academic advisors to take up languages even if they have to be taken elsewhere. As long as the requirement is in the Calendar we are more or less obliged to offer the courses.

A discussion on the differentiation between Honours and Specialization Programmes followed. It was felt (Pallen) that the difference should be greater than that represented by performance standards, and should include a research component.

It was argued (Auchinachie) that one of the advantages of having the two programmes mirror one another is that the Specialization can be given as a consolation prize if a student can not get the Honours. He felt that to require a research component may be too narrow. He agreed that there should be something that distinguishes an Honours from a Specialization, it could be a special seminar designed only for Honours students in Methodology, an opportunity to write a three or six-credit thesis, or do independent study.

Agreement was expressed (Ryan), especially in the absence of established norms. It was also felt that it was unfair to penalize Theological Studies for an ex post facto rule.

Council was reminded (Arbuckle-Maag) that a year ago this Council had stated very strongly, that there should be some differentiation between Honours and Specialization, other than the grade requirement. The differentiation has to be minimal because of resources, but some kind of requirement even if it is only one course in the Honours Programme, and if the student does not obtain the required grades the course can be used as an optional course in the Specialization Programme. It was strongly felt that no one sector of the Faculty had the right to dictate to any other how to handle its affairs, but Council has repeatedly said that there should be some differentiation, an Honours degree should be qualitatively different, otherwise Honours degrees are worthless. If the two programmes are to be maintained they should be two different and distinct programmes.

Vice-Dean Valaskakis assumed the Chair, as Dean Bertrand was required elsewhere.

88-6-13

It was moved and seconded (Pallen/Oppenheim) that the proposed revised Theology Honours programme be removed from Document 60U, Part III, and returned to the Faculty Curriculum Committee and the Department in order to consider changes that will differentiate between Honours and Specialization in terms of the programmes.

Vote: CARRIED

Simone de Beauvoir (C-65) - the proposal consists mainly of renaming, reordering and renumbering Women's Studies courses to streamline and rationalize the undergraduate programme. The course code WSDB may replace WMNS and SDEB.

Russian Studies (C-70) - an elimination of the Honours and Major, and the introduction of a new Minor, basically due to a lack of resources.

Concern was expressed (Shlosser) regarding the statement "The Russian Studies Programme prepares students for professional and academic careers in the Civil Service, Trade and Commerce, External Affairs..." It was stated (Dicks) that this preamble will be re-written.

Economics (C-71) - a proposal to reduce from 42 to 39 the number of Economics credits required by students in the BComm Major in Economics.

88-6-14

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Pallen) that Report 60U, Undergraduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, Part III, be accepted.

Vote: CARRIED

Report 61G - Graduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, Part III

French (C-16) - One major new programme in Translation, a Diploma with three options: "rédaction, interprétation judiciaire, and traductique", all judged to be areas of considerable interest in the working world. It was suggested (Auchinachie) that perhaps ENGL 255 - Translation and both LING 410 and 411, also LING 499, should be included in the proposed diploma.

Geography (C-26) - a complete reinstallation of the MA in a different form - a Geography stream in the MA Public Policy and Public Administration.

88-6-15 It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Pallen) that Report 61G, Graduate Curriculum Course Change Proposals, 1989-90, Part III, be accepted.

Vote: CARRIED

5. Other Business

The Curriculum Committee was asked (Pallen) to submit to Faculty Council a proposal of general guidelines for the differentiation of the structure of Honours and Specialization Programmes, at some time prior to a meeting at which Council considers curriculum changes.

It was also asked (Auchinachie) whether the Curriculum Committee could explain how some departments are allowed 39 or 42 or even 48-credit Majors, while English has a 36-Credit Major, and was informed that 36 was going to be the policy of the University.

The Vice-Dean explained that some exceptions were made for programmes that required courses from cognate areas, or second language requirements.

It was suggested (Arbuckle-Maag) that if 36 credits does not allow for a pedagogically valid Major then the Department should "dig its heels in".

The subject of the GPA handout was raised (Orr) with respect to the document having been forwarded to Senate without Council's approval.

The Vice-Dean explained that no changes had been made in the basic rules. The Curriculum Committee had been instructed to make editorial changes and to make the technical aspects operable. The Committee received some comments on the wording; these suggestions were implemented.

Council was then asked (Orr) if course outlines could be collected in one designated area so that students could see them. It was stated that this would greatly reduce the number of section changes.

The Acting-Chair felt that the departments may be able to do this if it would help students.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in September 1988. Members will be notified of the exact time and date.

On behalf of the Dean's Office the Acting-Chair wished everyone a very happy and productive summer.

7. Adjournment

88-6-16 It was moved and seconded (Barlow/Dicks) that the meeting be adjourned at 1120 hours.

CARRIED